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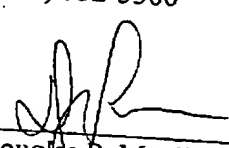
Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 16, 2004 a Continuation Application is being filed to pursue the claims as amended in the Amendment filed with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on May 10, 2004.

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